

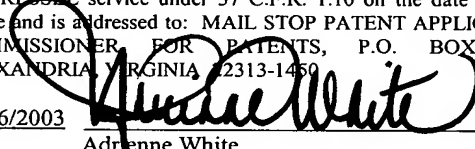
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This application is continued from pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/910,515 ("Base for Food Containers"), now allowed, which was filed on July 19, 2001.

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